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POLICE INVESTIGATE SUSPICIOUS DEATH IN GRANT HILL

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the death of a male whose body was found inside a business in Grant Hill.

At 8:09 a.m., officers responded to a citizen's report of a burglary in progress at the Carpet Cushion Company in the 2800 block of Market Street. When officers arrived, employees of the company led them to a male lying on the floor inside the business. The male was suffering from chest trauma. Fire fighters also responded and pronounced the male dead at 8:15 a.m. Based on the condition of the body, the death was deemed suspicious, and Homicide Unit detectives were called to the scene.

The employees told officers they had arrived for work just before 8:00 a.m. After entering, they discovered the male on the floor, at the rear of the warehouse-type building. They then called 911. Homicide detectives are now processing the scene, trying to determine why the male was inside the business and how he gained access to the building.

The victim has been tentatively identified, but his name is not being released at this time, pending notification of next of kin.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-TIPS.